

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1380**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Feuer**

February 18, 2011

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An act to amend Section 12812.5 of the Government Code, relating to state government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1380, as introduced, Feuer. State government: California Environmental Protection Agency.

Existing law prescribes the powers and duties of the California Environmental Protection Agency.

This bill would require that the California Environmental Protection Agency establish, through applicant fees, an environmental technologies certification.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12812.5 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 12812.5. On or before March 1, 1994, the California
- 4 Environmental Protection Agency, using existing resources and
- 5 in consultation with other relevant agencies in state and local
- 6 government, shall do all of the following:
- 7 (a) Establish an environmental technologies clearinghouse,
- 8 which shall include, but not be limited to, maintaining information
- 9 on California-based environmental technology companies and

1 information on funding sources for environmental technology  
2 endeavors and making this information available to interested  
3 parties.

4 (b) Make available technical assistance within the California  
5 Environmental Protection Agency to assist California-based  
6 environmental technology companies to improve export  
7 opportunities, and to enhance foreign buyers' awareness of, and  
8 access to, environmental technologies and services offered by  
9 California-based companies. The technical assistance may include,  
10 but is not limited to, organizing and leading trade missions,  
11 receiving reverse trade missions, referral services, reviewing project  
12 opportunities, and notifying California-based companies of export  
13 opportunities and trade shows.

14 (c) Perform research studies and solicit technical advice to  
15 identify international market opportunities for California-based  
16 environmental technology companies.

17 (d) Participate in federally and other nonstate funded technical  
18 exchange programs, when appropriate, to increase foreign buyers'  
19 interest in California's environmental technologies.

20 (e) Coordinate activities in state government, and with the  
21 federal government and other countries' governments, to take  
22 advantage of trade promotion and financial assistance opportunities  
23 available to California-based environmental technology companies.

24 (f) *Establish, through applicant fees, an environmental*  
25 *technologies certification.*